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Holiday Greetings

MARVELOUS IRONY!

*Christmas dawns from
darkest night,
a shaft of heavenly light.*

*The Finger of God
awakens life,
His Word of new creation.*

*The drowsy eyes of
a helpless child
see us at last as children.*

FREDERICK E. BLUMER
President of the College

Capital Campaign Study Now Under Way

One of the first steps in considering a capital campaign for the proposed Physical Education/Recreation Center is a feasibility study.

What is a feasibility study? Very simply, it is a "testing of the water" -- an evaluation of the prospects for success in the event a capital fund campaign is launched. Lycoming has not conducted such a campaign since 1968 to provide funds for the Academic Center. Many things have happened since then and it is very important to appraise the current levels of confidence and support for Lycoming before kicking off the drive.

How are feasibility studies conducted? There are two major ingredients:

1. Factual data are compiled and prepared by the development office. These data cover the past decade and include enrollment statistics, levels of giving in all categories, lists of potential donors and other information of a less objective nature.
2. Highly confidential interviews are conducted with selected trustees, alumni, parents, friends and community leaders in banking, business and industry. These interviews are being conducted by Mr. Joseph Iannoli, Jr., a representative of Marts & Lundy, Inc. -- a professional fund-raising organization.

All of the information compiled from the data provided by Lycoming and that gleaned from the interviews is studied, evaluated and analyzed by several special lists within the Marts & Lundy group. They will report to the trustees whether in their considered judgment a successful capital campaign for \$3 million is feasible at this time.

While no forecasting system for fund-raising ventures is perfect, the type of study described above has been found to be highly reliable in many places over many years. We are confident that it beats sheer guesswork. The final decision of Lycoming's trustees will doubtless be influenced by the report they will receive about three months from now.

CAMPUS NOTES

A special matching grant of \$500 has been awarded to Lycoming College by the Presser Foundation to help finance three musical concerts to be presented on the campus during the current academic year. The artists will appear under the auspices of the Academy of Vocal Arts.

The series was opened last month when James Adler presented a piano concert in Clarke Chapel. The second was on December 8 when Stewart Newbold presented a clarinet concert, and the final program will be on March 22 by basso John Paul White.

K. BRUCE SHERBINE, biology department, will be a panelist at a session of the annual meeting of the North Carolina Science Teachers Association at East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C. The topic for discussion will be Advanced Placement Biology. Dr. Sherbine's invitation to participate came as a result of his work last summer when he was Course Director, Advanced Placement Biology for High School Teachers, at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

LARRY STRAUSSER, sociology/anthropology department, presented a paper entitled "Inmate Social Structure and the Divide and Conquer Techniques," at the Pennsylvania Sociological Annual Meeting held at Penn State University, November 5.

ROBIN NEWMAN, a junior at Lycoming College, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Newman, of 24 Baltimore Street, Gettysburg, has been granted a Department of State student internship for the summer of 1978 in the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, Washington, D.C.

MICHAEL ROSKIN, political science department, presented a paper at the Northeast Political Science Association's annual meeting held at Mt. Airy Lodge, Pocomo, November 10-12. The topic of Dr. Roskin's paper was "The 1977 Spanish Elections."

Editor's Note: Very often the accounts of significant events appear in fact but sometimes details and abbreviated minutes of formal meetings. A very important event occurred in 1950, following the graduation of the first four-year class in June, 1949. It was the initial accreditation of Lycoming College by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The account to the right covers the three crucial days (February 27, 28 and March 1) during which time the visiting committee evaluated the College to determine its readiness to join other accredited institutions. Their stamp of approval would remove a very large barrier to the future growth and development of the new college.

It is certain that Nellie Gorgas '55 did not write her account for official minutes or for publication. She wrote it simply to record her observations and feelings about an important milestone in Lycoming's history.

Nellie was secretary to Dr. John W. Long and Dr. D. Fredrick Werts (now Hubert Werts) for several years. She is now an English teacher in the Jersey Shore Area High School. We are grateful for Nellie's account and for her permission to print it as an "Out of the Past . . ." article.



Patricia Levan, a sophomore biology major and a dean's list student at Lycoming, has had an avid interest in dairy cattle from the time she was exposed as a small child to the animals on the dairy farm of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Levan,

at Milton, R.D. 2.

And recently Patty collected a substantial dividend on that interest when she was named one of six national division winners of a \$1,000 scholarship to the 4-H dairy program at the National 4-H Congress held in Chicago.

The scholarship is not the first award the Milton student has received as a result of her enthusiasm for the 4-H program. The walls of her bedroom at home are covered with awards received in recognition of her work with dairy cattle. She was a 4-H Keystone dairy winner three times, and for two years was named distinguished junior member finalist in the senior division of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association contest. She has also been a champion showman for the last two years at the Northumberland County Fair, and she received a master exhibitor award at the district 4-H show.

The graduate of Milton High School does not confine all of her interest to dairy cattle. She played four years on the high school field hockey team, and presently participates in the women's intercollegiate sports program at Lycoming as a member of the field hockey and basketball teams.

Patty's career to the present time parallels that of her sister, Melodee, who graduated from Lycoming in 1976. Melodee also won numerous 4-H and other dairy awards before her graduation from Lycoming, and, like Patty, was a biology major as an undergraduate. She is now attending Temple University Medical School. And, also like Patty, Melodee was a perennial dean's list student at Lycoming.

And back home in Milton, a third member of the family, Jean, a sophomore at Milton High School and the youngest of the three Levan sisters, is continuing the traditions established by her older sisters in the 4-H program. And now that Patty has reached an age (19) where she is no longer eligible to show animals in 4-H competition, it will be the responsibility of Jean to carry the Levan 4-H banner. And, who knows, perhaps four years from now, the youngest will reach the pinnacle of 4-H achievement and will emulate her sister by winning a national scholarship.

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Out of the Past . . .

Moody Morning, February 27, 1950

Well, this is the morning that the Visiting Committee from the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools inspects our campus. The weather is very cold, around zero, I believe, and I'm glad I wore this red tailored suit. It will probably take a while for things to warm up around here.

I understand the Committee met with Dr. John W. Long and Dean Archie R. Ayers for dinner at the Lycoming Hotel last evening (Sunday, Feb. 26) at which time they had quite a discussion.

The Committee has been placed in the right hand office of the Gymnasium from which office they will proceed with their work. Dr. Long was here bright and early this morning but so far I've not seen any members of the Committee. I understand Dr. Lester A. Welliver, President of Westminster Theological Seminary, is to be the chapel speaker.

Mr. Knag, Chairman of the Committee, and Professor H. G. Housfield made their appearance during the morning. President Welliver was in the office for a short time after Chapel.

Shortly before noon Dean Ayers came around with a box of beautiful roses and told me to pick out the one I liked—which I did. I placed it in a large yellow vase (the only one I could find) and kept it on my desk for the rest of the day.

The members of the Committee, of course, did not get around to visit all the classes but they did visit some. The most popular question of the day by far was "Did you have any visitors in your classes yet?" As a matter of fact, one teacher told Dr. Long that he had spent the whole weekend preparing his lecture and he was a little disappointed that they didn't get around to him. Nothing like a visiting committee to keep people "on their toes." Even the students were heard to remark, "Gee, I've got to do some studying this weekend just in case any of the committee members visit our class. I don't want to seem like a dumb bunny."

And so the first day ended with little fanfare.

Before I left the office I placed the rose in Dr. Long's office on the table under the pictures of Robert F. Rich, Bishop Charles Wesley Flint, Bishop Edwin Hold Hughes (who died Sunday, February 12, 1950) and Bishop Fred Pierce Corson.

Tuesday, February 28, 1950

When I arrived this morning the rosebud was out in full bloom and one of the most beautiful I have ever seen. So beautiful, in fact, that it seemed to brighten the whole room, I decided to leave it there.

There is an air of anxiety about the place today. Here and there one hears a remark to the effect that things look very favorable for us. That sounds encouraging but then one can never tell about these things. Several members of the Committee have been here this morning. I understand they will only work until noon and then go back to the hotel to write up their report and return for a discussion with Dr. Long at 4:00 p.m.

The day is very bleak. It has been snowing and is quite windy. It might be a little warmer than yesterday.

The Committee returned a little late—about 4:20 to be exact. Dr. Long was alone in the office waiting for them. The chairs were placed in a semi-circle around his desk. When the Committee walked in the door it was hard to tell what they had in mind. One might say they were not expressing their feelings. I made some remark about the weather and they told me they came prepared (that was Mr. Housfield) and they proceeded to remove their coats, overshoes, etc., without further comment.

Soon they were all seated and the door was closed. I stayed around until about 5:20 and when I left most of the other offices were still open—everyone was anxious to know the outcome. When I stopped by the office after supper the Committee was just leaving. That was about 6:15. In other words the discussion had lasted about two hours.

I was, of course, just dying to know what had transpired in that office but I realized that now was not the time to ask. So I went home without knowing the result.

The next morning (Wednesday, March 1) as I was sorting the mail and talking to Miss Emily Biehle (who works in the Business Manager's Office), Dr. Long approached the door. He tried the door to his office and it was locked (I had neglected to unlock it) and made the remark, "This man locks his door." I wanted to ask him the outcome but I was just a little afraid it might be unfavorable so I thought I would let him say the first word. He walked across the hall to the Treasurer's office and said, "Well, you are looking at the President of a four year degree granting college that stands a good chance of becoming accredited." Miss Fritzsche, the bookkeeper, asked him if it had gone through. He said, "Well, we can't publicize it until the report is submitted to the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education but I'm assured that we have nothing to worry about. And we all smiled, a smile of pleasure and a sigh of relief.

As I opened the door of Dr. Long's office everything seemed very calm and peaceful and the rose seemed more beautiful than ever. Yes, we had passed another hurdle and only years can tell the results of the momentous decision that has transpired in the room this rose has filled with its fragrance.



During the past two months, under the able direction of RALPH ZEIGLER '70, telethons to alumni for pledges to the 1977 annual fund were held in several areas. If you received the post card alerting you to the telethon in your area but never received the phone call, we are sorry that we didn't get through to you. It's probably because of an unlisted phone number or because you were not at home or were using your phone when the call was attempted. Our callers enjoyed their conversations in the completed calls and the personal contact resulted in many pledges for contributions to the Fund.

In the LYCOMING COUNTY TELETHON, calls were made on five evenings from Long Hall on the campus. A total of twelve different callers (pictured) manned the phones. Nearly 1500 phone calls were attempted and a sizable number happily completed.

CENTRAL AND NORTHERN NEW YORK STATE alumni were called from New Channels Corporation offices through the courtesy of LEO CALISTRI '59. His wife, JUDY FRY CALISTRI '59 helped set up the telethon and directed the calling with help from DAVID PHILLIPS '63 and LARRY MC NEER '64.

THE GREATER PHILADELPHIA AREA TELETHON was held in the offices of Price Waterhouse and Company through arrangements made by HAROLD SHRECKENGAST '50. Callers included MEG MYERS '71, DEBBIE CRABBE '76, BARRY HAMILTON '70, "BUDDY" LINDENBERG '74, DAVE ARGALL '80 and Hannah Moriarity, a parent.

THE WILKES BARRE-SCRANTON AREA TELETHON was held at Wyoming Seminary in Kingston through the fine arrangements of JACK EIDAM '66. Those helping with the calling in this area were SUE STROHMENGER CHILTON '69, who directed the telethon, JIM PALL '73 and DEBBIE JENKIN '76. This was a new area for a telethon and the callers were pleased with the response of the alumni in that area.

The hand of GLORIA ZEIGLER GREEVY '67 shown recording a pledge represents all those great alumni volunteers who helped to make our 1977 telethons successful. The College appreciates your loyalty!



GOAL WITHIN SIGHT!

The 1977 Lycoming College Fund officially closes December 31st (checks dated in 1977 but received by January 20, 1978, will still be counted in the 1977 Fund). Our goal of \$50,000 from alumni is within sight and will be met if our alumni continue their fine pattern of giving. Each gift, large or small, is important in this end-of-the-year push. All alumni of Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport Dickinson Junior College and Lycoming College are urged to write a check now to the 1977 annual fund and be listed among those who remember and care.



SUE DeBRUIN '79, Switchboard Operator



DONNA CIPRIANI GENTHER '71



EDWARD J. "Skip" GENTHER '71



RUTH WILKINSON CROYLE '72



RICHARD H. LLOYD '59



CARL E. SNYDER '69



KENT T. BALDWIN '64



MARILYN HINKLE LLOYD '59



KATHRYN DAVIS PERSON '75



SETH D. KELLER '65



DOROTHY FERRELL SANDMEYER '43 & '63



HESS S. WERTZ, JR. '62

Sports Review

BRUCE L. SWANGER

Glenn Klages, of Warren, N.J., and Bob Lewis, of Shavertown, have all been turning in good times in the competition and have been recording points for team score with first, second and third-place finishes.

Coach Budd Whitehill's young wrestling team won its first dual meet over Klogs, 35-8, after opening the season with a third-place finish behind Bloomsburg and the University of Virginia in the tough eight-team Bloomsburg State Invitational Tournament which featured all Division I teams except the Warriors.

Whitehill, who lost five of his top wrestlers from the 1976-77 squad via graduation, will be depending on a number of freshmen and sophomores to carry the Blue and Gold banner in the pre-season campaign. The 43-man roster at the opening of the season included only one senior and eight juniors.

The Warriors last year compiled a fine 13-7 record despite meeting 11 teams from Division I schools. And this year's schedule isn't much less imposing with nine major schools to be faced in dual or quadrangular meets in addition to 11 from Division III.

Division I teams on the schedule this year include the University of Pittsburgh, Rider, Princeton, West Virginia, William and Mary, the University of Maryland, Bucknell, Wilkes and Franklin and Marshall.

Top wrestlers returning include the Granato brothers from Vineland, N.J., Russ (118) and Rob (126); Carmen DeMaio (134), also of Vineland; Mike Bradley (150), of Chalfont; Tim Spruill (167), of Chesapeake, Va.; Chris Tremer (177), of Belleville, N.J., and Dick Driver (Unl.), of Hughesville.

The Warrior basketball team turned in a winning performance against Juniata to open the 16th year of coaching at Lycoming for Duteh Burch and a schedule which Burch believes "is the toughest we have ever had." After defeating the Indians 65-52, in a defensive struggle for their first Middle Atlantic Conference win, the Warriors played Bucknell on an even par until late in the game before falling, 99-84.

Burch has set his goals for the year of making the Middle Atlantic Conference playoffs for the fourth time in six years and improving the overall 8-11 record of last year. And neither assignment will be easy. The Warriors will play 14 conference games and will probably need at least nine wins in the MAC contests to make the playoffs. Outside the conference, the cagers will be squaring off against a number of Division I and II teams, including Army, Navy, Philadelphia Textile and Bucknell.

To do the job of getting the Warriors back in the playoffs, Burch has a solid nucleus of four returning starters and three reserves who lettered last year. Returning lettermen include two seniors, Bill Conroy, of Philadelphia, and Jim DiMarco, of Havertown; two juniors, Mark Molesek, of Mountersville, and Mike Brown, of Havertown; and three sophomores, Ray Graff, of Upper Darby, and Tom McGlone and Tom Dodds, both of Drexel Hill.

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EIGHT WARRIORS SELECTED TO MAC ALL-STAR TEAM

Eight players from the Warrior football team, four from each of the offensive and defensive units, have been named to the Middle Atlantic Conference All-Star first team. In addition, one player was given honorable mention in the voting conducted by conference coaches.

Six of eight chosen to the first team are repeaters from the 1976 squad, and one, Little All-America middle guard Mike Prowant, of Dubolstown, has been named to the all-star squad for all four years of his intercollegiate career. Named for the second consecutive year are defensive back Dwight Stilwell, a senior from Staten Island, N.Y., junior tailback Kevin McVey and junior tackle Fran Miller, both of Philadelphia, and two seniors from Willingboro, N.J., offensive guard Dominic Johnson and wide receiver Jay Jeffries.

Named for the first time were defensive back Ray Radomicki, a senior, and defensive tackle Jerry Butler, a junior, both from Philadelphia. However, Butler had been chosen honorable mention for the last two years.

Jim Tkach, a senior linebacker from Lehigh, was the only Warrior named for honorable mention.

All nine Lycoming players named to the squad played important parts in the fine 6-3 season just completed by Coach Frank Girardi's Warriors. Radomicki and Stilwell were part of a veteran defensive secondary which picked off 11 opponent passes and finished a scant .4 of a percentage point behind Hofstra for the best pass defense in the nation among Division III colleges. Lycoming allowed 49.8 yards per game passing while Hofstra completed the year with a 49.4 average. The Warriors' strong defense also held opponents to an average of 5.1 points per game, second in the nation among Division III schools to the 5.0 posted by Cornell of Iowa.

Prowant, Butler, and Tkach spearheaded the front line which played an important part in the superior defensive effort turned in by the Warriors. Prowant led a strong pass rush against the opposing quarterback, turning in nine sacks while deflecting six passes behind the line of scrimmage. He also recovered two fumbles and blocked one field goal attempt while participating in 91 tackles, including 63 solo.

Butler and Tkach were also consistently around the ball carrier with the junior tackle involved in 92 tackles, including 63 first hits. Tkach's excellent lateral movement from his linebacking spot helped him make 114 tackles, including 61 first hits, for the top individual tackling effort on the Warrior squad.

McVey led the Warrior ground game for the second consecutive year, rolling up 521 net yards on 133 carries. He also caught nine passes for 26 yards coming out of the backfield. Jeffries pulled down three touchdown passes during the year to establish a new school career record of nine scoring catches. He also led all Warrior receivers with 15 catches for 243 yards.

Both Miller and Johnson gained their second consecutive All-MAC honors for their excellent all-around line play and pass blocking.

Lycoming and Upsal dominated the first



Mike Prowant



Jay Jeffries



Dwight Stilwell



Ray Radomicki



Kevin McVey



Dominic Johnson



Fran Miller



Jerry Butler



Jim Tkach

team with each having eight named to the squad, Albright, the conference champion, had five chosen and Wilkes the other three. Conference teams failing to place a man on the squad include Delaware Valley, Susquehanna and Juniata.

TWO TEAMS WIN, THIRD LOSES OPENING GAMES ON SCHEDULE

Both the Warrior basketball and wrestling teams kicked off the winter sports season with victories while the swimmers were submerged in their opener with Franklin and Marshall.

Although the Lyco mermen under first-year coach Dave Hair went on to lose two more meets in early season action to Dickinson and Ursinus, the team has some excellent swimmers and can be expected to put at least a few victories in the record book before the season ends in February.

Sophomores Mark Fultz, of Pittsford, N.Y., and Bill Raynor, of Bryn Mawr, and juniors

